



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date				Period end date			
From	01	01	2023	To	31	12	2023

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Empowering Kids in Kenya

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1161130

Charity's principal address

117 Willington Road

Cople

Bedford

Postcode

MK44 3TN

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Sally Searle	Chair		
2	Benedict Clay			
3	Christopher Bryans			
4	Paul Graham			
5	Vivian Perose Tsisika			

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document

CIO dated 01.02.2015

How the charity is constituted

CIO Foundation Constitution

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The objectives of Empowering Kids in Kenya: To advance the education of children and adults in Mombasa and surrounding areas by providing facilities at Bombolulu Secondary School for education and work experience training and in such ways as the charity trustees think fit.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The main activities undertaken for the public benefit were:

- To provide a completely free secondary school education in a region where extreme poverty is the norm
- Entry criteria is a mega poor background combined with a track record of hard work at primary school. Thus uniforms, books and food are all totally free of charge
- The children are taught by very well qualified teachers and school manager and provides excellent facilities including a science lab and playground

The Trustees have all read and signed the Trustees Statutory Declaration and fully understand the CIO Constitution and the objectives of the Charity.

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- contribution made by volunteers.

Without the tireless work carried out by Trustees, volunteers and supporters, this small school charity would not be the success story that it is. We cannot thank everyone enough for their amazing support.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The charity is providing a safe and secure learning environment to some extremely under-privileged and vulnerable young people. At Bombolulu Secondary School we take safeguarding very seriously indeed as many of our pupils come from disadvantaged and poverty-stricken families. A new safe house facility was being out in place at the end of 2024. We are actively preventing these children from falling victim to the modern slave trade and, instead, provide them with the skill sets they need to either go on to good jobs or enter university. Without this school, none of our children would have been afforded any secondary schooling at all as government schools charge fees after primary education. The children have substantially increased their exam results in every subject. Amazing results and we are very proud of their achievements. To accommodate the desperate need for secondary education following short-notice government structural changes to the education system, the school opened for Year 7 children in January 2023 and year 8 in January 2024. We have recruited new teaching staff, a new headmaster and a school manager, together with a new board of governors and a parent-teacher association. We have also implemented a new robust system of school governance. We now need to build further classrooms for the next intake in January 2025. Without these additional classrooms, we will not be in a position to offer places to any additional children. As a Lower Secondary School, we are expected to educate Years 7, 8 and 9. Thus further fundraising of around £52,000 is essential to secure the future of the school.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity currently holds no reserves as all funds available are utilised towards the costs of operating this school.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

No funds are in deficit.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

The accounts show a surplus of £14,572 for the year at year end, compared to a deficit of £24,100 in 2022 due to the purchase of the plot of land for the playground which cost £29,351

The charity raised funds through various means as below:

1. Child sponsorship from individuals, teams and companies £20,704 compared to £16,422 in 2022.
2. Fund raising, Trust Funding, donations (including gift aid) and grants from individuals and groups with the support of ActionCOACH, Rotary, DHL and friends of the charity amounted to £61,205 compared to £48,928 in 2022.

This income has supported the activities of the school including teaching costs, books, uniforms and food for the children.

Children from all religions, faiths, ethnic groups, tribes and backgrounds are offered education at our school. There is no discrimination of any kind.

Section F Other optional information

The charity continues to thrive, improve and expand its offering. Our Bombolulu Secondary School now has children in Years 7 and 8. Our new intake started at the beginning of January 2024 and the pupils have been chosen for these coveted places because of their desperate poverty and a proven yearning to learn from this opportunity.

Income from donations, child support, fundraising and grants is utilised for the advancement of the children and the school. The only payments to Trustees are to cover travel expenses. No deductions are made by Trustees for any other reason. This income gives them the chance of breaking out of the poverty they are currently living in. It gives them hope of a better future for themselves, for their families and ultimately for the whole community in this sadly deprived area of Kenya.

The charity has now opened a safehouse adjacent to the school as some of our girls desperately need to be protected from their current home situations. This is a major additional provision for our children as safeguarding is taken very seriously indeed.

Without the support of so many people in so many ways the charity could not be the proven success story that it is.

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature



Full name

Sally Searle

Position (eg Secretary, Chair,
etc)

Chair

Date

31.01.2024

Empowering Kids in Kenya

1161130
registered

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

Period start date
01.01.2023


To

Period end date
31.12.2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year (full year)
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Child sponsorship	20,704	-	-	20,704	16,422
Fundraising	11,658	-	-	11,658	2,896
Grants	300	-	-	300	3,300
Donations	18,594	-	-	18,594	9,270
Restricted funds received	-	17,475	-	17,475	13,245
Interest	107	-	-	107	132
Gift Aid	13,178	-	-	13,178	20,217
School fee receipts	-	-	-	-	610
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	64,541	17,475	-	82,016	66,092
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	64,541	17,475	-	82,016	66,092
A3 Payments					
Wages and salaries - Kenyan staff	13,860	-	-	13,860	11,306
Property	2,883	-	-	2,883	4,277
Utilities	6,025	-	-	6,025	3,708
Food and water	9,687	-	-	9,687	5,089
Print, post, stationery	2,782	-	-	2,782	805
Training	890	-	-	890	433
School outings and celebrations	1,600	-	-	1,600	785
Family, primary & external sec. school support	2,098	-	-	2,098	2,976
Legal and professional	2,475	-	-	2,475	3,875
Float for contingencies	200	-	-	200	2,194
Exchange rate costs	1,156	-	-	1,156	2,117
Minor purchases	1,933	-	-	1,933	-
Bank and Mpesa charges	354	-	-	354	-
Fundraising expenses	879	-	-	879	3,808
Overheads	976	-	-	976	1,175
Non-core expenses	1,123	-	-	1,123	5,610
Capital costs	-	-	-	-	-
Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment	118	-	-	118	7,184
Restricted funds spent - grants and donations	-	18,406	-	18,406	5,500
Sub total	49,038	18,406	-	67,444	60,841
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Plot of land for playground	-	-	-	-	29,351
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	29,351
Total payments	49,038	18,406	-	67,444	90,192
Net of receipts/(payments)	15,503	931	-	14,572	24,100
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	4,052	9,245	-	13,297	37,398
Cash funds this year end	19,555	8,314	-	27,870	13,297

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		19,555	8,314	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds <small>(aggregating all receipts and payments account(s))</small>	19,555	8,314	-
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets				
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
	School equipment	E-KiK	-	4,822
	New build primary school	E-KiK	-	125,000
	Playground plot	E-KiK	-	30,000
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities				
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			SALLY SEARLE	31-01-24

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Empowering Kids in Kenya
Charitable Incorporated Organisation**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Empowering Kids in Kenya CIO, number 1161130 for the year ended 31st December 2023.

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities Regulations 2008.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: *Ian Allen*

Name: Ian Allen FCCA

Fellow of Chartered Certified Accountants (Retired)

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Date: 31/01/2024